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Sir:

ELECTION OF INVENTION

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 31, 2003 for the led application, wherein Group I. Claim 1.1 captioned application, wherein Group I, Claims 1 through 3, and 5 through 25, drawn to an adsorption powder composition, classified in Class 502, subclass 416, and Group II, Claim 4, drawn to a method of removing metals and organic compounds from a gas stream, Class 423, subclass 245.1, we elect Group I, Claims 1 through 3, and 5 through 25 without traverse for prosecution. Claim 4 will be canceled in response to a 1st Office Action.

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CONCLUSION

No additional fees are believed to be due for this election. However if any additional fees are due, the Examiner is authorized to deduct the same from Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Should the Examiner have any questions or desire to discuss the case, he is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at his earliest convenience.

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